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Dear Reader,

For many people Christmas isn't Christmas without holiday shopping at Bishop Hill's annual Julmarknad, a summer vacation isn't a vacation at all without a day at Lincoln's New Salem, and fall . . . Well, you get the picture. Every year Illinois Historic Preservation Agency staff members and volunteers spend days planning and presenting special events highlighting the unique histories of Illinois historic sites.

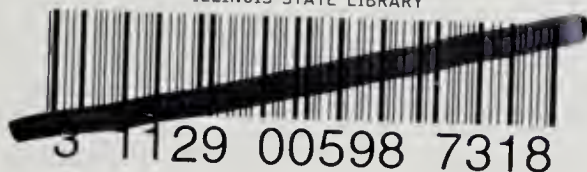
Nearly one hundred of those special events are featured in this guide. Scarcely a week passes without a historical reenactment, craft demonstration, special tour, or spirited ethnic celebration. Special educational and recreational opportunities await visitors of all ages.

You'll want to consult this guide if you have a few hours—or a few days—to spend in historic Illinois. A brief description of each site is located in the center of this guide, along with an outline map of the state. Phone numbers and addresses of each site are included should you want to confirm dates and times.

We hope you'll use this booklet to guide your travels as you experience "Illinois history in the re-making."

The Editors

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JANUARY

- 6 **Pierre Menard Home, Ellis Grove**
The early 1800s home of Illinois' first lieutenant governor is the setting for the Twelfth Day of Christmas—a traditional celebration culminating the French holiday season. Enjoy traditional French pastries, decorations, and entertainment, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Cosponsored by the Pierre Menard Volunteer Association.

FEBRUARY

- 9 **Mt. Pulaski Courthouse, Mt. Pulaski**
The 181st anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birth will be commemorated at the Lincoln Birthday Open House from noon to 8 p.m. At 2 p.m. a featured speaker will discuss Lincoln's years as a lawyer. Site staff dressed in period attire will host the open house and conduct tours of the nineteenth-century courthouse. Listen to traditional music from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. as the courthouse is illuminated by more than one hundred candles. Refreshments will be served.



- 9 **Cahokia Courthouse, Cahokia**
Celebrate southwestern Illinois' French heritage at Cahokia's three landmark eighteenth-century buildings during the *Fete du Bon Vieux Temps* (Festival of the Good Old Days), from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. A reception complete with eighteenth-century music begins at the Cahokia Courthouse at 4 p.m. Attend mass at the nearby 1799 Log Church at 5 p.m., then move on to the Jarrot Mansion ballroom for special exhibits, colonial fashion shows, and minuet dancing.

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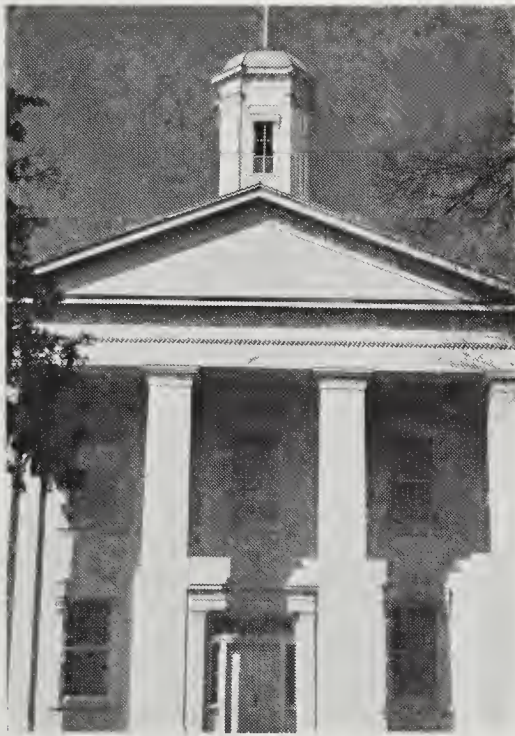
Lincoln-Herndon Law Offices, Springfield

A children's puppet show, "Mr. Lincoln, New Salem to Springfield," will be performed at 2 P.M. by the DePriest Puppets of Springfield. The half-hour program chronicles Lincoln's life from his days as a resident of New Salem through his years in Springfield, where he gave his Farewell Address before departing to the nation's capital as president-elect.

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Old State Capitol, Springfield

The 18th Annual Lincoln Symposium will be held in the Hall of Representatives, the site of Abraham Lincoln's famous House Divided speech. Professor Doug Wilson of Knox College and Professor Charles Strozier of the City University of New York are featured speakers. The symposium begins at 1:30 P.M. For additional information, write Abraham Lincoln Association, Old State Capitol, Springfield, IL 62701. Co-sponsored by the Abraham Lincoln Association and the Illinois State Historical Society.



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Vandalia Statehouse, Vandalia

The Vandalia Historical Society will host A Tribute to Lincoln, a discussion of Lincoln as a literary figure and orator. Beginning at 2 P.M. historical society members will read selections from his speeches, letters, and anecdotes. Co-sponsored by the Vandalia Historical Society.

MARCH

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Pierre Menard Home, Ellis Grove

Observe craft making as it was practiced in the nineteenth century, at the annual Spring Crafts Fair. Costumed artisans demonstrate basket-making, quilting, quilling (a form of stitchery), lace-making, wood carving, and more from 1 P.M. to 4 P.M. Costumed volunteers will serve refreshments in the kitchen of the grand French Colonial-style house. Cosponsored by the Pierre Menard Volunteers Association.

- 4/21-5/5 **Postville Courthouse, Lincoln**
Twenty-five exquisitely crafted quilts, each possessing its own unique history, will be exhibited at Postville Courthouse during Family Treasures: A Quilt Show. Both old and new pieced, appliqued, and embroidered quilts will be featured. On opening day view the quilts from noon to 5 P.M., other days from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Co-sponsored by the Lincoln Junior Women's Club.
- 6, 7 **Bishop Hill, Bishop Hill**
Folk music enthusiasts will enjoy Mark Dvorak's performance in the Colony Church during Spring Premiere, a village-wide open house. Dvorak will also give a folk music workshop for kids. Cosponsored by the Bishop Hill Arts Council.
- 7 **Pierre Menard Home, Ellis Grove**
Enjoy the melodic performance of musicians as they play traditional nineteenth-century music at the annual Spring Musicale. From 1 P.M. to 4 P.M. violins, dulcimers, and piano will harmonize while costumed volunteers serve refreshments. Cosponsored by the Pierre Menard Home Volunteers Association.
- 26, 27, 28 **Galena Complex, Galena**
Boy Scouts from across the Midwest gather for a challenging weekend of fun at the U. S. Grant Pilgrimage. Scouts trade patches at the Old Market House, tour the U. S. Grant Home, and take the "Paths of History" tour of Galena. Sponsored by the Boy Scouts of America.
- 27, 28 **Cahokia Courthouse, Cahokia**
Reenactment enthusiasts, living history buffs, and school groups will find *L'Ecole de Soldat* (School of the Soldier) educational and entertaining. The weekend-long live-in seminar features studies of French Colonialism through lectures and group discussions. Participants must register by 10 A.M., Saturday, April 27. The public is invited to tour the camp both days. Workshops and lectures are scheduled from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. on Saturday and 9 A.M. to 3 P.M. on Sunday.



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Black Hawk, Rock Island

See, hear, and smell spring's awakening at Black Hawk Park's Stroll through Springtime. Take in a guided birdwalk from 7 A.M. to 9 A.M., enjoy a program and refreshments from 9 A.M. to 10 A.M., and join in the wildflower walk from 10 A.M. to noon. Tours begin at the Watch Tower Lodge. Cosponsored by the Citizens to Preserve Black Hawk Park Foundation.

4, 5

Fort de Chartres, Prairie du Rocher

Bring the kids to historic Fort de Chartres for *Les Journees Pour Les Jeunes Gens* (Kids Day). Children of all ages will gather from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. to make eighteenth-century crafts, play games, and participate in contests. Refreshments will be served. Cosponsored by the Fort de Chartres Volunteer Association.



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Lincoln Log Cabin, Lerna vicinity

Sheep-shearing, a spring ritual for many farmers a century ago, will kick off "From Sheep to Clothing" at noon. Workers will demonstrate the steps of processing raw wool into completed garments. Until 5 P.M. observe sheep shearing, fleece washing and sorting, carding and spinning, natural dyeing, and weaving. A sewn garment will be displayed.

5

Pierre Menard Home, Ellis Grove

On Herb Gardening Day, costumed volunteers tend the herb garden that supplies herbs for the baked goods and herb wreaths made on site. Sweet cicely, silver king, pineapple sage, and sweet marjoram are but a few of the traditional herbs grown on the grounds of the Pierre Menard Home. Baked goods, wreaths, and some starter plants will be for sale during this event, which is scheduled from 1 P.M. to 4 P.M. Cosponsored by the Pierre Menard Home Volunteers Association.

- 10, 11, **Bishop Hill, Bishop Hill**
12 Counted cross-stitch items from the Bishop Hill area will be judged and exhibited from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. at the Counted Cross-Stitch Show in the Colony School. Cosponsored by the Bishop Hill Arts Council.
- 17, 18, **Bishop Hill, Bishop Hill**
19 More than one hundred old and new quilts from the Bishop Hill area will be judged and exhibited from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. at the Quilt Show in the Colony School. Cosponsored by the Bishop Hill Arts Council.
- 18 **Postville Courthouse, Lincoln**
Natural fiber artisans will meet at the Fiber Jubilee to demonstrate the antiquated arts of lace-making, spinning, carding, natural dyeing, weaving, and quilting from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. Natural raw fibers such as wool, linen, cotton, mohair, and angora will be on display. Cosponsored by the Chautauqua Fiber Arts Council.
- 19 **Cahokia Mounds, Collinsville**
Discover the wonders of Indian life during Kids Day at Cahokia Mounds. From 11 A.M. to 4 P.M. kids of all ages can participate in Indian games, pottery making, flintknapping, and more. Cosponsored by the Cahokia Mounds Museum Society.

JUNE

- 1, 2 **Fort de Chartres, Prairie du Rocher**
More than one thousand historically dressed participants will gather at the historic French fort for the 22nd Annual Fort de Chartres Rendezvous — a weekend of re-created eighteenth-century activities. Flintlock shooting matches, period craft demonstrations, fashion shows, trading, and traditional music are featured from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.



1, 2 **Pierre Menard Home, Ellis Grove**
Tour the magnificent candlelit grounds and interior of the historic French Colonial home Saturday from dusk till 10 P.M. Special music will serenade guests as they enjoy refreshments on the back porch. Sunday's activities include costumed volunteers cooking and serving refreshments from the mansion's kitchen and a display of the home's quilt collection from 1 P.M. to 4 P.M. Cosponsored by the Pierre Menard Home Volunteers Association.

1, 2 **Carl Sandburg, Galesburg**
The Carl Sandburg Home—the place of the Pulitzer Prize-winner's birth—is just one of the attractions of Galesburg's annual Railroad Days. From 9 A.M. to 5 P.M., visitors may tour the home as part of the fun during the city-wide festival. Cosponsored by the Galesburg Area Chamber of Commerce.



2, 9,
16, 23,
30 **Bishop Hill, Bishop Hill**
Throughout June enjoy Sundays in the Park at picturesque Bishop Hill. Listen to ethnic music and savor the character of this historic communal settlement. Each performance lasts from 1 P.M. to 3 P.M. An ice cream social is held in conjunction with each concert. For specific program information contact the site. Cosponsored by the Bishop Hill Arts Council.

4, 11,
18, 25 **Lincoln Tomb, Springfield**
The 114th Volunteer Infantry—a reactivated Civil War unit—conducts a flag retreat ceremony every Tuesday at 7 P.M. Authentically dressed officers fire mortars and muskets before the flag is lowered, folded, and presented to a spectator. Cosponsored by the 114th Regiment Illinois Volunteer Infantry.

5-29

Lincoln-Herndon Law Offices, Springfield

The Chicago Symphony Orchestra Centennial Traveling Exhibit will make a Springfield stop at the Lincoln-Herndon Law Offices. Photographs of the history of Chicago are juxtaposed with significant events in the orchestra's history, whose growth over the past century has paralleled that of the city. The exhibit will visit several cities throughout Illinois, ending at Orchestra Hall in Chicago in October 1991. Cosponsored by the Illinois State Historical Society.

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U. S. Grant Home, Galena

Enjoy a self-guided lamplight tour of Grant's Italianate home from 8 P.M. to 9 P.M. The tour is one of many activities scheduled for Galena's June Open House weekend.



Photo courtesy Champaign-Urbana News Gazette

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Bryant Cottage, Bement

Bryant Cottage joins the festivities of Bement Days with some old-fashioned family events of its own. Horseshoe pitching, checkers, and marbles are a few of the activities hosted by Bryant Cottage during the community-wide celebration. A flea market, period music performances, a craft show, and Lions Club Fish Fry are some of the events scheduled throughout the community. Cosponsored by the Bement Community Council and the Bement Lions Club.

8, 9

Old Market House, Galena

Visitors to Galena's June Open House may lunch on the grounds of the Old Market House during the Skills From the Hills craft demonstration. From 9 A.M. to 5 P.M., skilled artisans from northwestern Illinois will demonstrate crafts in the Old Market House. Homemade foods will be available for purchase. Cosponsored by the Jo Daviess County Homemakers Extension.

12

Bryant Cottage, Bement

The American Legion Auxiliary will celebrate Flag Day at Bryant Cottage. Auxiliary members will retire the flag at 6:55 P.M. Visitors may then take a candlelight tour of Bryant Cottage and enjoy the refreshments served on the lawn. Cosponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary.

- 14, 15, 16 Vandalia Statehouse, Vandalia**
The Grande Levee recalls the grand receptions for dignitaries and important visitors to Vandalia when it was the state's capital city, from 1820 to 1838. An old-fashioned ham and beans dinner and ice cream social will be held on the state-house lawn beginning at 5:30 P.M. on Friday. Candles will illuminate the grounds for an open house from 7:30 P.M. to 9 P.M. During the entire weekend take in period craft demonstrations, munch at food booths, and tap your feet to lively music. The weekend concludes with an old-fashioned worship service at 3 P.M. Cosponsored by the Friends of the Old State Capitol.
- 15, 16 Lincoln's New Salem, Petersburg**
Beautiful handmade quilts, old and new, are displayed throughout New Salem, the reconstructed village of Abraham Lincoln's young adulthood. From 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. visitors may view quilting demonstrations, participate in a quilt block contest, and enter the drawing for a handmade quilt. Cosponsored by the New Salem Lincoln League.
- 19, 20, 21, 22 Metamora Courthouse, Metamora**
Take time to tour one of the two remaining courthouses once on the Eighth Judicial Circuit—the circuit Abraham Lincoln traveled as a lawyer in the 1840s and 1850s—during Metamora's Old Settler's Day. Join in other activities around town, including a carnival, stage shows, and an art show.
- 22, 23 Jubilee College, Brimfield**
One-hundred-fifty-one-year-old Jubilee College is the setting for the Old English Faire, an annual re-creation of medieval fun and merry making. From 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. observe jousting, fencing, jugglers, mimes, ladies in waiting, and knights in shining armor. Costumed craftsmen will exhibit handcrafted wares typical of the Middle Ages. Cosponsored by the Citizens to Preserve Jubilee College.



- 23 **Carl Sandburg, Galesburg**
Gather at Carl Sandburg's birthplace for a mid-summer band concert of golden oldies beginning at 7 P.M. The Rutabaga Jammers Band features a repertoire of standard swing and pop hits. Refreshments will be served. Cosponsored by the Carl Sandburg Historic Site Association.

JULY

- 2, 9, 16, 23 **Lincoln Tomb, Springfield**
Members of the reactivated Civil War-era 114th Volunteer Infantry conduct a flag retreat ceremony every Tuesday at 7 P.M. Authentically dressed unit members fire mortars and muskets before the flag is lowered, folded, and presented to a spectator. Cosponsored by the 114th Regiment Illinois Volunteer Infantry.
- 4 **Lincoln Log Cabin, Lerna vicinity**
Celebrate the Fourth of July as it was observed in 1845 when Lincoln's parents, Thomas and Sarah Bush Lincoln, lived at Goosenest Prairie. From 1 P.M. to 4 P.M. participate in a flag-raising ceremony, listen to a recitation of the Declaration of Independence and patriotic speeches, and join in an old-fashioned game of town ball (an early form of baseball).
- 4 **Bryant Cottage, Bement**
An old-fashioned lawn party will set the stage for Bryant Cottage's participation in Bement's Fourth of July Freedom Celebration. Join in the fun with games, refreshments, and entertainment. Cosponsored by the Bement Community Council, the day-long celebration includes a concert by the community band, a parade, bingo, and fireworks.
- 13, 14 **Lincoln's New Salem, Petersburg**
The reconstructed village of New Salem is buzzing with activity during its Summer Festival as costumed interpreters reenact a typical Illinois day of the early 1830s. Visitors can watch as interpreters tend their homes, demonstrate crafts, and cultivate crops from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Cosponsored by the New Salem Lincoln League.
- 14 **Bryant Cottage, Bement**
A nondenominational worship service reminiscent of the mid-nineteenth-century days of the circuit riders will be held on the front lawn of Bryant Cottage at 5:30 P.M. Participants are encouraged to bring lawn chairs. Afterward, enjoy an ice cream social on the lawn. Cosponsored by the Bement Community Council.
- 14 **Pierre Menard Home, Ellis Grove**
Enjoy an old-fashioned ice cream social on the lawn of the stately French Colonial-era house. Hand-churned ice cream, entertainment, and kids games will be offered from 1 P.M. to 4 P.M. Cosponsored by the Pierre Menard Home Volunteers Association.

- 21 **Lincoln Log Cabin, Lerna vicinity**
Everyone enjoys a good story, especially the yarns spun by Alfred Balch, schoolmaster and storyteller. Gather from 1 P.M. to 4 P.M. at the reconstructed home of Abraham Lincoln's parents for Pioneer Tales, Storytelling at Goosenest Prairie.

- 27 **Lincoln's New Salem, Petersburg**
The Mississippi Valley Morgan Horse Club will present a day-long exhibit and demonstrate the many uses of Morgan horses from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Demonstrations are scheduled for 10 A.M., 1 P.M., and 3 P.M. Cosponsored by the New Salem Lincoln League.

AUGUST

- 3, 4 **Lincoln's New Salem, Petersburg**
For two days nationally acclaimed storytellers mix literature, drama, and music to create unique interpretations of traditional stories during Prairie Tales, from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. Cosponsored by the New Salem Lincoln League.

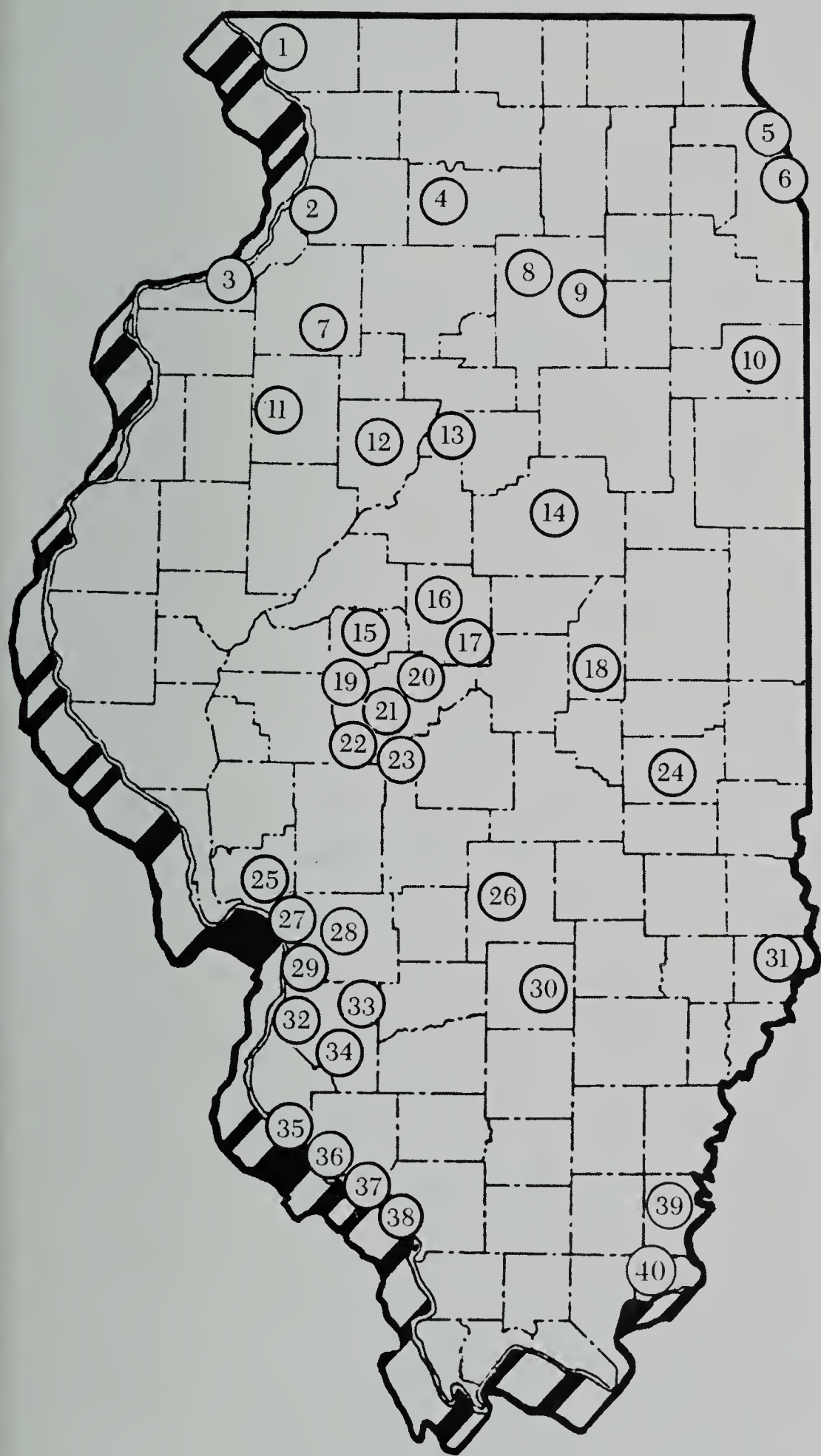


- 6, 13, 20, 27 **Lincoln Tomb, Springfield**
A reactivated Civil War infantry, the 114th Volunteer Infantry, conducts a flag retreat ceremony every Tuesday at 7 P.M. Mortars and muskets are fired before the flag is lowered, folded, and presented to a spectator. Cosponsored by the 114th Regiment Illinois Volunteer Infantry.
- 11 **Lincoln Log Cabin, Lerna vicinity**
The re-created 1840s Thomas Lincoln farm is the backdrop for the summer Bluegrass Festival. From noon to 5 P.M. musicians will gather for an afternoon of fun and string band folk music.
- 25 **Lincoln Log Cabin, Lerna vicinity**
Experience the excitement of an 1845 camp meeting from 2 P.M. to 4 P.M. when participants gather to sing, socialize, and listen to a spirited old-fashioned sermon.
- 25 **Postville Courthouse, Lincoln**
From 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. watch demonstrations of lace-making, scrimshaw-making, blacksmithing, spinning, quilting, carving, and woodworking with a Great Wheel lathe at the 1800s Craft Fair. Musicians will perform on lap and hammer dulcimers, prairie harps, tire whistles, and banjos throughout the day.

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Historic Sites by the IHPA



History Year-Round at Illinois Historic Sites

Most of the sites below are open every day. A small number operate on a limited schedule. All sites managed by the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency are closed Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. For additional information, contact the site manager at the address and phone numbers listed below.

Bishop Hill, Bishop Hill/Henry

Bishop Hill was founded in 1846 by Swedish pietists led by Erik Jansson. Two historic buildings of this time period are administered by the State of Illinois—the Colony Church (1848) and the Bjorklund Hotel (1855). Both are open daily from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Contact Martha Jane Downey, P.O. Box D, Bishop Hill, IL 61419, 309-927-3345.

Black Hawk, Rock Island/Rock Island

Black Hawk State Historic Site—home to the Sauk and Fox Indians in the eighteenth- and early-nineteenth-centuries—takes its name from the Indian warrior who led his people in a failed attempt to recapture their homeland during the Battle of Bad Axe in 1832. The two-hundred-acre site is open from sunrise to 10 P.M. The Hauburg Indian Museum is open 8:30 A.M. to noon and 1 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. Contact Neil Rangen, 1510 46th Avenue, Rock Island, IL 61201, 309-788-0177.

Bryant Cottage, Bement/Piatt

Bryant Cottage was built in 1856 by Francis E. Bryant, a friend and political ally of Senator Stephen A. Douglas. The four-room cottage offers visitors a glimpse of middle-class family life in nineteenth-century Illinois. The site is open daily 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Contact Marilyn Ayers, 146 E. Wilson Avenue, Bement, IL 61813, 217-678-8184.

Cahokia Courthouse, Cahokia/St. Clair

The oldest courthouse in Illinois, Cahokia Courthouse was built about 1730 and reconstructed in 1939. Originally used as a home, the building became a U.S. courthouse and for twenty years served as a center of political activity of the Old Northwest. The courthouse was dismantled in 1901 and rebuilt twice before its return to Cahokia. The site is open daily from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Contact Molly McKenzie, 1st & Elm Streets, Cahokia, IL 62206, 618-332-1782.

Cahokia Mounds, Collinsville/St. Clair

Cahokia Mounds preserves the central portion of a bustling prehistoric trade center that existed in the period A.D. 900 to A.D. 1300. More than one hundred man-made earthen mounds—including Monks Mound, the largest prehistoric earthwork in the New World—are preserved within the site's boundaries. In 1983 the United Nations designated it a World Heritage Site. Cahokia Mounds Interpretive Center—a state-of-the-art museum facility—is open daily from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Contact Margaret Brown, P.O. Box 681, Collinsville, IL 62234, 618-346-5160.

Dana-Thomas House, Springfield/Sangamon

The restored Dana-Thomas House is one of the most complete Frank Lloyd Wright structures. The house was constructed by Wright in 1904 for Springfield heiress and socialite Susan Lawrence Dana. Much of the original

Wright-designed furniture remains. The site is open daily 9 A.M. to 5 P.M., with the last tour beginning at 4 P.M. Contact Donald Hallmark, 301 E. Lawrence Avenue, Springfield, IL 62704, 217-782-6776.

David Davis Mansion, Bloomington/Livingston

David Davis—friend and political ally of Abraham Lincoln—built this elegant Bloomington mansion in 1870 when he was serving as a United States Supreme Court justice. The house contains many of the original furnishings and is considered one of the outstanding Victorian houses in the Midwest. The site is closed for restoration. Contact Marcia Young, 1000 E. Monroe, Bloomington, IL 61701, 309-828-1084.

Douglas Tomb, Chicago/Cook

In 1865, four years after the death of Stephen A. Douglas, the State of Illinois purchased his grave. A group of Douglas's friends raised the funds to begin erecting the tomb, and the state appropriated funds to complete it in 1878. Sculptor Leonard Volk designed the tomb, which became Illinois' first state memorial. The site is open daily 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Contact Herman Williams, 636 E. 35th Street, Chicago, IL 60616, 312-225-2620.

Fort de Chartres, Prairie du Rocher/Randolph

Fort de Chartres—the last of three eighteenth-century stone forts erected by France's colonial government in Illinois—has been partially reconstructed to provide a glimpse of life in Illinois under the French regime. The original fort was built in the 1750s and abandoned in 1771. The site is open daily from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Contact Darrell Duensing, RR 2, Prairie du Rocher, IL 62277, 618-284-7230.

Fort Kaskaskia/Pierre Menard Home, Ellis Grove/Randolph

The Pierre Menard Home was constructed about 1802 for Illinois' first lieutenant governor, Pierre Menard. The restored mansion is a fine example of French Colonial architecture. Just a few miles northwest lie the archaeological remains of Fort Kaskaskia, which was built by the French in 1760 to protect villagers at Kaskaskia. Kaskaskia was Illinois' first capital (1818-1819). Kaskaskia Island was destroyed by flooding in the late-nineteenth century, but not before graves from three cemeteries were moved to Garrison Hill Cemetery, on the bluff overlooking the Mississippi at Fort Kaskaskia State Historic Site. The sites are open 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. daily. Contact Roger Wicklein, RR 1, Box 63, Ellis Grove, IL 62241, 618-859-3741.

Galena Complex, Galena/Jo Daviess

The Old Market House, built in 1845 on the Galena square, served as a city market place for sixty-five years. It was restored in 1955 and today houses exhibits on Galena's architecture. The nearby U.S. Grant Home was given to General Ulysses S. Grant upon the triumphant Civil War hero's return to the city in 1865. The Washburne House was home to Congressman Elihu B. Washburne, a political associate of Abraham Lincoln and minister to France for President Grant. The sites are open from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. daily. Contact Thomas "Pete" Campbell, 908 3rd Street, Galena, IL 61036, 815-777-3310.

Jubilee College, Brimfield/Peoria

Jubilee College, one of the oldest educational structures in Illinois, was built in the period 1839 to 1844 by Philander Chase, the first Episcopal bishop in Illinois. The college was closed in the mid-nineteenth century, but the reconstructed chapel and school house now serve as appropriate settings for the interpretation of Chase's educational and spiritual ideals. The site is open daily from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Contact Jim Tummenelli, RR 2, Box 72-A, Brimfield, IL 61517, 309-243-9489.

Lincoln Log Cabin, Lerna vicinity/Coles

Lincoln Log Cabin is the reconstructed house of Abraham Lincoln's father and stepmother, Thomas and Sarah Bush Lincoln. The cabin is the focus of a living-history farm that re-creates rural Illinois life at Goosenest Prairie during the 1840s. The site is open daily from 8:30 A.M. to dusk. Contact Tom Vance, RR 1, Box 172-A, Lerna, IL 62440, 217-345-6489.

Lincoln's New Salem, Petersburg vicinity/Menard

New Salem—the community where Abraham Lincoln lived from 1831 to 1837—is a reconstruction of the original pioneer village that features twenty-three authentically furnished log buildings. The site is open daily 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. during the summer months and 8 A.M. to 4 P.M. during winter months. Contact David Hedrick, RR 1, Box 244-A, Petersburg, IL 62675, 217-632-7953.

Lincoln Tomb/Illinois Vietnam Veterans Memorial, Springfield/Sangamon

Abraham Lincoln's tomb, located in Oak Ridge Cemetery, was dedicated in 1874, nine years after the president's death. The tomb was built through the efforts of the National Lincoln Monument Association, an organization of Lincoln's friends, admirers, and political associates. Sculptor Larkin Mead designed the tomb, which became state property in 1895. Also located at Oak Ridge is the Illinois Vietnam Veterans Memorial, which records the names of more than 3,000 servicemen killed or missing in action in Vietnam. The Lincoln Tomb is open daily 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. The Illinois Vietnam Veterans Memorial is open 7 A.M. to 4 P.M. Contact Nan Wynn, Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, IL 62702, 217-782-2717.

Vachel Lindsay Home, Springfield/Sangamon

Nationally acclaimed poet Vachel Lindsay was born in 1879 in this Springfield house. It was his only permanent residence and remained under his care until his death in 1931. Lindsay's poetry and artwork are showcased throughout the house, which contains many Lindsay family furnishings. The site is open Thursday through Monday from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Contact Carol Andrews, 603 S. Fifth Street, Springfield, IL 62703, 217-785-7961.

Metamora Courthouse, Metamora/Woodford

Metamora Courthouse, built in 1845, is one of two remaining courthouses that were part of the Eighth Judicial Circuit, where Abraham Lincoln practiced law. The first-floor museum interprets life on the Eighth Judicial Circuit, and the reconstructed courtroom is located on the second floor. The site is open daily 9 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. and 1 P.M. to 5 P.M. Contact Jeanette Smith, 113 E. Partridge, Box 776, Metamora, IL 61548, 309-367-4470.

Old State Capitol, Lincoln-Herndon Law Offices, Springfield/Sangamon

The Old State Capitol served as the Illinois statehouse from 1830 to 1876. Abraham Lincoln used the building as a state representative and in 1858 delivered his famous House Divided speech in the Hall of Representatives. The Lincoln-Herndon Law Offices—occupied by Lincoln from 1843 to ca. 1852—house Lincoln's restored offices and a second-floor courtroom that was, for several years in the 1840s, the only federal courtroom in Illinois. The sites are open daily from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Contact Carol Andrews, Old State Capitol, Springfield, IL 62701, 217-785-7960.

Mt. Pulaski Courthouse, Mt. Pulaski/Logan

Mt. Pulaski Courthouse, built in 1847, was one of the courthouses on the Eighth Judicial Circuit when Abraham Lincoln was practicing law on the circuit. Guided tours focus on the functions of county government in the 1850s. The site is open daily 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Contact Richard Schachtsiek, P.O. Box 355, Lincoln, IL 62656, 217-732-8930.

Postville Courthouse, Lincoln/Logan

Postville Courthouse is a reconstruction of the original 1840 courthouse that was part of the Eighth Judicial Circuit. Henry Ford moved the original courthouse to his museum village at Greenfield, Michigan, in the 1930s, and the reconstruction was completed on its original site in 1953. The site is open daily 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Contact Richard Schachtsiek, P.O. Box 355, Lincoln, IL 62656, 217-732-8930.

Carl Sandburg Birthplace, Galesburg/Knox

Pulitzer Prize-winning poet and Lincoln biographer Carl Sandburg, was born in this modest three room cottage in 1878. The home reflects the living conditions of a typical nineteenth-century working-class family and is furnished with many Sandburg family belongings. Located in a park behind the home is Remembrance Rock, under which Sandburg's ashes have been placed. The house is open daily from 9 A.M. to noon and 1 P.M. to 5 P.M. Contact Carol Nelson, 313 E. 3rd Street, Galesburg, IL 61401, 309-342-2361.

Shawneetown Bank, Old Shawneetown/Gallatin

Shawneetown Bank is the oldest standing structure in Illinois designed for use as a bank. Constructed in 1839-40, the Greek Revival structure served as the Bank of Illinois at Shawneetown. Restoration continues at the site, which is open by request and for special events. Contact Hubert Combs, RR 1, Old Shawneetown, IL 62984, 618-269-3303.

Vandalia Statehouse, Vandalia/Fayette

Three statehouses were built in Vandalia during its tenure as the Illinois capital from 1820 to 1838. The last statehouse, restored to its 1830 appearance, now interprets state government in the 1830s. The site is open daily 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Contact Judy Baumann, 315 W. Gallatin, Vandalia, IL 62471, 618-283-1161.

SEPTEMBER

- 14, 15 Jubilee College, Brimfield**
Celebrate the arrival of fall at Autumn Harvest-fest from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. Watch an old-time medicine show, smell bread baking in a ten-ton stone oven, play games, and listen to stories. The entire family will enjoy the agricultural and livestock exhibits and the Civil War artillery encampment. Women can pick up fashion tips at the period fashion show while men enjoy a spirited game of horseshoes. Cosponsored by the Citizens to Preserve Jubilee College, Inc.



- 14, 15 Lincoln's New Salem, Petersburg**
Delight in the Traditional Music Festival from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. The reconstructed pioneer village comes alive with impromptu demonstrations and performances of early-nineteenth-century music and dancing. Cosponsored by the New Salem Lincoln League.
- 21, 22 Fort Kaskaskia, Ellis Grove**
Bluegrass, cajun, folk, and Irish music fill the air at the Traditional Music Festival. The kids can take part in contests and games, while parents watch the energetic clogging performances or view craft demonstrations. At mealtime choose from several food booths. The festival lasts from 11 A.M. to 6 P.M. on Saturday and noon to 6 P.M. on Sunday. For those who wish to stay overnight, camping is available nearby.
- 27, 28, 29 Cahokia Mounds, Collinsville**
Heritage America celebrates the contributions of Native Americans in a weekend of Indian dancing, music, and crafts. Native Americans will exhibit works of art and demonstrate traditional crafts in this fun and educational exposition. Cosponsored by the Cahokia Mounds Museum Society and the American Indian Society.

- 28 **U. S. Grant Home, Galena**
Stop by the Italianate home of the nation's eighteenth president during Galena's annual Fall Tour of Homes. From 8 P.M. to 9 P.M. take a self-guided tour of the house, which will be illuminated by lamplight.
- 28, 29 **Bishop Hill, Bishop Hill**
Jordbruksdagarna (Agricultural Days) commemorates the agricultural heritage of this nineteenth-century communal settlement. Crops are harvested in much the way they were in the 1850s. Broom corn is cut, sorted, and scraped. Sorghum cane is stripped, cut, pressed, and cooked. From 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. enjoy the demonstrations, purchase homebaked goods or home-grown produce, listen to traditional music, or relax on a hayrack ride.
- 28, 29 **Old Market House, Galena**
Travel to historic Galena for Old Market Days. Lunch on homemade food or shop at the outdoor crafts fair at the Old Market House from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Cosponsored by the Jo Daviess County Homemakers Extension.

OCTOBER

- 4, 5 **Lincoln's New Salem, Petersburg**
Interpreters in period dress will welcome visitors into the reconstructed log homes from 7 P.M. to 9 P.M. Each home and business will be illuminated and functioning as it did during the early nineteenth century. Visitors can listen to live music, browse the general store, and watch the blacksmith and other craftsmen at work. Cosponsored by the New Salem Lincoln League.
- 5, 6 **Lincoln Log Cabin, Lerna vicinity**
Join in the Harvest Frolic and Trades Fair—a recreation of an old-time neighborhood harvest gathering. From noon to 5 P.M. visitors can view period craft demonstrations and harvest activities, enjoy period entertainment and square dancing, or purchase handmade wares. There will be children's games and a Saturday night hayrack ride.
- 5, 6 **Fort de Chartres, Prairie du Rocher**
Join historic reenactors at this restored French fort for the annual French and Indian War Assemblage. The weekend's festivities begin Friday at 8 P.M. with a candlelight tour of the fort. Saturday's action begins at 9:45 A.M. with an officer's call, followed by individual musket firing demonstrations until 3 P.M. Mock maneuvers are scheduled for Sunday. Throughout the weekend enjoy musical entertainment and fashion shows. Visitors will enjoy food from the Trading Post or goods from eighteenth-century-style vendors. Cosponsored by "The Forces of Montcalm and Wolff."

- 5, 6, 12, 13 **Carl Sandburg, Galesburg**
Visit Carl Sandburg State Historic Site for craft demonstrations and hot apple cider during the Knox County Scenic Drive. From 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. the kids can participate in leaf printing and listen to samples of the poet's work. View the festive colors of fall, cross an old-fashioned covered bridge, or stop at towns along the way for flea markets or home-baked food.
- 6 **Pierre Menard Home, Ellis Grove**
Celebrate the birthday of Pierre Menard—Illinois' first lieutenant governor—at his early-nineteenth-century mansion. From 1 P.M. to 4 P.M. costumed volunteers will serve French marble cake as period piano music wafts from the mansion's parlor. Cosponsored by the Pierre Menard Home Volunteers Association.
- 11 **Bryant Cottage, Bement**
An old-fashioned meal will be served from 11:30 A.M. to 3 P.M. Enjoy the smells of the food as it is prepared outdoors. Apples are pressed while you watch, and ham and beans are cooked by a steam engine. After lunch relax to period music.
- 12, 13 **Black Hawk, Rock Island**
Hear stories as never told before during Black Hawk Days. Nationally known Native American storytellers will weave tales for visitors from 11 A.M. to 5 P.M. and 7 P.M. to 9 P.M. on Saturday, and noon to 5 P.M. on Sunday. Also enjoy demonstrations of Native American dance and music or purchase Native American food and crafts.
- 12, 13 **Galena Complex, Galena**
The 10th Regiment Volunteer Infantry travels to Galena to participate in the Civil War Living History Encampment. Thirty-three tents will display regimental equipment typical of a Union military encampment. Visitors may watch the sixty-five civilian and military impersonators perform black-powder musket drills and manual-of-arms demonstrations. See living history interpretations conducted by the camp surgeon, mortician, and photographer. The camp will be open to the public from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. on Saturday and 9 A.M. to 3 P.M. on Sunday.





- 13 **Dana-Thomas House, Springfield**
Celebrate the 129th birthday of Susan Lawrence Dana—the Springfield socialite who commissioned Frank Lloyd Wright in 1904 to build her spectacular social-center home for entertaining. Costumed interpreters will offer tours of the home and serve birthday refreshments from 11 A.M. to 4 P.M. Cosponsored by the Dana-Thomas Foundation.
- 19 **Mt. Pulaski Courthouse, Mt. Pulaski**
Staff members dressed in period attire will serve hot cider and coffee from noon to 8 P.M. during the 1850s Open House. A special program will be presented in the afternoon, with entertainment following in the evening. At dusk, the courthouse will be illuminated by more than one hundred candles.

NOVEMBER

- 2, 3 **Fort de Chartres, Prairie du Rocher**
Travel to this partially reconstructed 1750s fort for the annual Winter Rendezvous from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Eighteenth-century life at the fort is re-enacted in typical camp life and trading. The Woods Walk Survival Shoot—a contest of shooting skill—is limited to registered participants.
- 3 **Pierre Menard Home, Ellis Grove**
From 1 P.M. to 4 P.M. attend a quilt show and enjoy foods prepared in the kitchen's hearth-type oven and open fireplace. The home's collection of quilts will be displayed for viewing, and free samples of baked goods will be offered to visitors. Cosponsored by the Pierre Menard Home Volunteers Association.
- 9, 10 **Lincoln's New Salem, Petersburg**
Harvest Feast—a traditional celebration of a bountiful harvest—will be held from 8 A.M. to 4 P.M. Observe as costumed interpreters demonstrate corn husking and butchering, prepare apple butter, distill whiskey, and participate in shooting contests. Cosponsored by the New Salem Lincoln League.
- 29, 30 **Bishop Hill, Bishop Hill**
Christmas shop at historic Bishop Hill's Julmarknad (Christmas Market). Decorated shops offer gifts, Swedish foods, and baked goods from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. While you shop, the kids can enjoy the special children's programs, museums, and Swedish folk characters roaming the village. Cosponsored by the Bishop Hill Arts Council.

29, 30 Galena Complex, Galena

Visitors from all over the state come to historic Galena to tour and shop during Country Christmas in Galena. After a day of shopping, rest at the Old Market House, which will be decorated for the holidays. Coffee, cookies, and punch will help rejuvenate tired shoppers. For a change of pace take a candlelight tour of the seasonally decorated U. S. Grant Home from 1 P.M. to 4 P.M. Cosponsored by the Galena/Jo Daviess County Chamber of Commerce.

DECEMBER

1, 2 Jubilee College, Brimfield

Attend a non-denominational Christmas program reminiscent of the early-to mid-1800s in the restored chapel. An ecumenical choir and the American Guild of Organists will perform carols, and a madrigal company will perform lyrical songs of the Middle Ages. As night falls, take a candlelight tour of the former college and stay for hot beverages, hors d'oeuvres, and baked goods. The general public is invited from 4 P.M. to 8 P.M. on Sunday, while the event is open only to retired citizens on Monday from 4 P.M. to 7 P.M. Cosponsored by the Citizens to Preserve Jubilee College, Inc.

1, 7, 8 Bishop Hill, Bishop Hill

Purchase a unique gift at Julmarknad, a Swedish Christmas Market. Browse through decorated shops from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. for gifts, Swedish baked goods, and foods. While you shop, the kids can participate in children's programs, browse the museum, or observe traditional Swedish folk characters who roam the village.

1, 7, 8, Galena Complex, Galena

14, 15 A special treat awaits Country Christmas shoppers. The Old Market House offers cookies and beverages, and visitors can take tours of the U. S. Grant Home from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. Cosponsored by the Galena/Jo Daviess County Chamber of Commerce.

6, 13, Metamora Courthouse, Metamora

20, 27 Metamora Courthouse will extend its hours from 9 A.M. to 9 P.M. each Friday in December. The courthouse will be decorated for Christmas, and the adjacent village square will be surrounded by Christmas trees decorated by local organizations.

7 Illinois Vietnam Veterans Memorial

Illinois remembers its lost sons during A Christmas Remembrance at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. Christmas trees are decorated with ornaments bearing the names of those who are listed as prisoners of war or missing in action in Vietnam and Southeast Asia. Traditional Christmas music will be played as visitors pay tribute to Vietnam veterans at 1 P.M.

- 7 **Mt. Pulaski Courthouse, Mt. Pulaski**
Experience an 1850s Christmas during Mt. Pulaski Courthouse's Christmas Open House. The courthouse will be decorated with natural wreaths and sassafras trees appropriate to the period. A special holiday program will be presented at 1 P.M. From 6:30 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. period and seasonal music will fill the courthouse. At dusk, candles will give the historic site an added holiday glow. Staff members dressed in period attire will serve cider and coffee to visitors from noon to 8 P.M.
- 7, 8 **Carl Sandburg, Galesburg**
Visit the boyhood home of one of Illinois' favorite sons from 1 P.M. to 5 P.M. The four-room cottage of Sandburg's birth will be decorated for Christmas. Father Christmas will greet children while Swedish carols are played. Hot cider, coffee, and Swedish treats will be offered to visitors. Cosponsored by the Carl Sandburg Historic Site Association.
- 7, 8 **Lincoln Log Cabin, Lerna vicinity**
Celebrate a Prairie Christmas at the Lincoln and Sargent farms from noon to 5 P.M. The event recreates the customs of early Illinois, when holiday celebrations included the exchange of a few homemade gifts followed by a good Christmas meal.
- 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29 **Dana-Thomas House, Springfield**
See the Dana-Thomas House in its holiday splendor during the Sights and Sounds of Christmas. Music will fill the extravagantly decorated home each Saturday and Sunday in December. The house is open from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. seven days a week; holiday hours are extended to 8 P.M. on Sundays throughout December.
- 8 **Vandalia Statehouse, Vandalia**
Vandalia Statehouse—an early seat of Illinois government—will be beautifully adorned with fresh greenery, fruit, and nuts for the holiday season. Tour the site by candlelight from 4 P.M. to 8 P.M. as music from the hammer dulcimer drifts through the old statehouse. Tours commence every fifteen minutes. Handmade Christmas ornaments will be given to the first one hundred visiting families.
- 8 **Pierre Menard Home, Ellis Grove**
The Pierre Menard Home is beautifully decorated for the holidays with fresh greenery and herbs. Fruit and cedar adorn the tables. From 1 P.M. to 4 P.M. local groups will perform seasonal music. Traditional nineteenth-century Christmas music played on the home's piano forte will also serenade visitors. Costumed volunteers will serve hot mulled cider and a variety of French pastries. Cosponsored by the Pierre Menard Home Volunteers Association.

- 13, 14 **Bishop Hill, Bishop Hill**
 Bishop Hill will be aglow during Lucia Nights, the annual festival of lights honoring the martyred Saint Lucia. From 6 P.M. to 9 P.M. the village will be illuminated with candlelight as local girls portraying Saint Lucia greet visitors and serve coffee and sweets in the museums and shops. Carolers stroll through the streets, while the Nova Singers perform in the Colony Church. Sleigh rides will be offered, weather permitting. Cosponsored by the Bishop Hill Arts Council.
- 14, 15 **E. B. Washburne House, Galena**
 The historic Washburne House in Galena is beautifully decorated and open to the public as part of Galena's Holiday Home Tour. From 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. on Saturday and noon to 3 P.M. on Sunday stop at the recently restored Washburne House and other homes on the tour. From 6:30 P.M. to 8 P.M. on Saturday the homes will be lit by candles for a special tour. Cosponsored by the Galena/Jo Daviess County Chamber of Commerce.
- 15 **Bryant Cottage, Bement**
 Visitors will receive a handmade Christmas tree ornament during the Holiday Open House. Refreshments will be served and candlelight tours conducted. Period music will be played during the day, and storytelling will amuse children. Bryant Cottage hours are extended to 7 P.M. on this special day.
- 22 **Dana-Thomas House, Springfield**
 Don't miss the Night of the Luminarias at one of the most complete Frank Lloyd Wright-designed homes. Hundreds of lights will illuminate the exterior and courtyard of the Prairie-style house from 4:30 P.M. to 9 P.M.
- 25 **Bishop Hill, Bishop Hill**
 Celebrate Christmas at the 6 A.M. Julotta, a non-denominational service in the sanctuary of the restored Colony Church. The service will be conducted in English and Swedish. Coffee and rusks will be served immediately following the service.
- 27 **Dana-Thomas House, Springfield**
 Bring the children to story hours at the seasonally decorated Wright-designed house. Stories will be told at 9 A.M. and 11 A.M. and again at 1 P.M. and 3 P.M. Reservations are required.
- 31 **Fort de Chartres, Prairie du Rocher**
 Join the citizens of Prairie du Rocher as they celebrate La Guiannee from 7 P.M. to 10 P.M. Residents revive the nearly forgotten French custom of walking door to door singing "La Guiannee" and collecting for the poor. Refreshments and a candlelight tour of the fort will be offered after the performance. Cosponsored by the Prairie du Rocher La Guiannee Society.



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